



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:

Hoogland et al.

Examiner:

Truong, T.

Serial No.:

10/659,246

Group Art Unit:

3721

Confirmation No:

3492

Docket:

294-79 DIV/RCE

Filed:

September 10, 2003

Dated:

March 29, 2007

For:

STORAGE DEVICE

HAVING PROTECTIVE

MEANS

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

I hereby certify this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail, postpaid in an envelope, addressed to:

Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria,

Virginia 22313-1450 on January 18, 2007

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In order to fulfill the requirements of candor and good faith set forth in 37 C.F.R.

§1.56, Applicants submit herewith the following Second Supplemental Information

Disclosure Statement in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.97 and §1.98.

UNITED STATES PATENTS

<u>PATENTEE</u>	PATENT NO.	ISSUE DATE
Kuramitsu et al.	5,082,435	January 21, 1992
Wood et al.	5,142,384	August 25, 1992 04/03/2007 MBLANCO 00000012 082461 19659246
Sammet	4,978,005	02 FC:1100ecembers 18659246

Application No.: 10/659,246 Filing Date: September 10, 2003 Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement Docket No.: 294-79 DIV/RCE

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

COUNTRY

DOCUMENT NUMBER

PUBLICATION DATE

WIPO

WO 98/19305

May 7, 1998

The above-referenced document is listed on PTO Form 1449. We have also enclosed the cited documents to facilitate reference to them.

This Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted to bring to the Examiner's attention several references cited in a related patent application (U.S. Application Serial No. 09/913,906).

Also, this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being filed after the mailing date of a first Office Action, but before the mailing of a Final Office Action or a Notice of Allowance. Accordingly, Applicant's hereby authorize the Examiner to charge Deposit Account No. 08-2461 the requisite fee of \$180.00 set forth in 37 § 1.17(p).

If the Examiner has any questions or comments relating to the present application, he or she is respectfully invited to contact Applicant's attorney at the telephone number set forth below.

Respectfully submitted,

Steven T. Zuschlag

Registration No.: 43,309 Attorney for Applicants

Hoffmann & Baron, LLP 6900 Jericho Turnpike Syosset, NY 11791 (516) 822-3550 STZ/mf

235230_1

GROUP

3721

APR 0 2 2007 E	Sheet <u>1</u> of			
FORM PTO-1449 U.S. DEPARTMENT OF MERCE (Rev. 2-32) PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE	ATTY. DOCKET NO. 294-79 DIV/RCE	SERIAL NO. 10/659,246		
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT	APPLICANT Hoogland et al.	CONFIRMATION NO. 3492		

FILING DATE September 10, 2003

EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	DATE NAME		CLASS	SUB CLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE		
								·	
		U.S.	PATE	ENT DC	CUMENT	S			
EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT DATE NAME		NAME	CLASS	SUB CLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE			
5,082,435		01/21/92		Kuramitsu et al.					
	5,142,384	08/25/9			Wood et al.				
	4,978,005	12/18/9			Sammet				
		FOREIC	GN PA	TENT	DOCUME	NTS			
EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT		DAT	E COUNTRY	CLASS	SUB	TRANSLATION		
	NUMBER	۲	DAIL		COUNTRY	CLASS	CLASS	YES	NO
	WO 98/19305		05/07/98		WIPO				
O.	THER DOCUME	ENTS (Inc	cluding	g Autho	r Title Da	te Pertine	nt Pages	Etc.)	
O7	THER DOCUME	ENTS (Inc	cluding	g Autho	r, Title, Da	te, Pertine	nt Pages,	Etc.)	

EXAMINER

(Use several sheets if necessary)

DATE CONSIDERED

EXAMINER: Initial if citation considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication with applicant.